

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Steve Lavin, on March 22, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Steve Lavin, Chair (R)
Rep. Lee Randall, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)
Rep. Forrestina (Frosty) Boss Ribs (D)
Rep. Clayton Fiscus (R)
Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)
Rep. Nancy Wilson (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Carolyn Squires, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Christy Clark (R)
Rep. Reilly Neill (D)
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Casey Barrs, Legislative Branch
Tia Hunter, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 597, 3/18/2013; HB 607, 3/19/2013; SB 161, 3/19/2013
Executive Action: SB 182, HB 584, HB 607

00:01:36 Chairman Lavin

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 182

00:01:48 **Motion:** Rep. Randall moved that **SB 182 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:02:00 Rep. Fiscus
00:02:03 Rep. Clark entered.
00:02:07 Rep. Randall
00:02:14 Rep. Fiscus

00:02:29 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Neill, Rep. Smith and Rep. Squires voted by proxy. Rep. Bangerter will carry the bill.

Discussion:

00:02:50 Rep. Wilson
00:02:54 Rep. Boss Ribs
00:02:59 Chairman Lavin
00:03:07 Rep. Boss Ribs
00:03:10 Chairman Lavin
00:03:12 Rep. Wilson
00:03:26 Chairman Lavin
00:03:38 Rep. Wilson

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 584

00:04:07 Rep. Randall

00:04:19 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Randall moved that **HB 584 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 9-0 by voice vote.

Discussion:

00:04:34 Rep. Fiscus
00:04:36 Chairman Lavin
00:04:50 Rep. O'Neil

HEARING ON HB 597

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:05:12 Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D), HD 26, opened the hearing on HB 597, Motor vehicle registration fee waiver for certain disabled persons.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:09:56 Joel Peden, Montana Association for Rehabilitation (MAR), and Montana Centers for Independent Living
00:13:31 Shyla Patera, North Central Independent Living Services (NCILS)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:15:14 Rep. O'Neil
00:15:43 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:16:49 Rep. O'Neil
00:16:58 Rep. Mehlhoff

Closing by Sponsor:

00:17:40 Rep. Mehlhoff

HEARING ON HB 607

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:19:16 Rep. Steve Lavin (R), HD 8, opened the hearing on HB 607, Expand electronic title, lien filing, and registration pilot program.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:20:03 Chris Gallus, Bennett Law Office
00:22:20 Bruce Spencer, Montana Automobile Dealers Association (MTADA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:23:09 Rep. Kerns
00:23:23 Mr. Gallus, Bennett Law Office
00:23:39 Rep. Kerns
00:23:52 Mr. Gallus, Bennett Law Office

Closing by Sponsor:

00:24:41 Rep. Lavin

HEARING ON SB 161

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:44:54 Sen. Mitch Tropila (D), SD 12, opened the hearing on SB 161, Change the requirements for establishing a special speed zone.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:47:07 Chris McNally, Self
00:50:09 Bill Frisbee, Lincoln Community Council, Lincoln School Board, Lincoln Sewer Board, Lincoln Fire Department, Lincoln Parent-Teacher-Student Association (PTSA), and Lincoln Chamber of Commerce
00:52:28 Andy Hunthausen, County Commissioner, Lewis and Clark County, and Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

EXHIBIT(trh62a01)

00:56:34 Leo Dutton, Sheriff, Lewis and Clark County, and Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (MSPOA)

00:59:04 M.C. Beeby, Helena Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS)
01:00:23 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)
01:01:26 Steve Meloy, Montana School Boards Association (MTSBA)
01:02:36 Gordon Morris, Self
01:02:58 Dwane Kailey, Chief Engineer, Department of Transportation (MDT)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:03:48 Rep. O'Neil
01:04:18 Mr. Kailey, MDT
01:04:57 Rep. Wilson
01:05:50 Mr. Kailey, MDT
01:06:31 Rep. Wilson
01:06:56 Mr. Kailey, MDT
01:07:19 Rep. Clark
01:07:31 Mr. Kailey, MDT
01:07:48 Rep. Clark
01:08:17 Mr. Kailey, MDT
01:08:43 Rep. Fiscus
01:09:21 Mr. Kailey, MDT
01:09:41 Rep. Fiscus
01:10:08 Mr. Frisbee, Lincoln Community Council
01:10:42 Rep. Fiscus
01:10:47 Mr. Frisbee, Lincoln Community Council
01:11:10 Rep. Fiscus
01:11:19 Mr. Frisbee, Lincoln Community Council
01:12:15 Rep. Fiscus
01:12:39 Mr. Kailey, MDT
01:12:49 Rep. O'Neil
01:13:06 Mr. Frisbee, Lincoln Community Council
01:14:15 Rep. Boss Ribs
01:14:44 Mr. Frisbee, Lincoln Community Council
01:15:05 Rep. Boss Ribs
01:15:44 Mr. Frisbee, Lincoln Community Council

Closing by Sponsor:

01:17:17 Sen. Tropila

Discussion:

01:20:10 Chairman Lavin
01:20:40 Rep. Clark
01:20:45 Chairman Lavin
01:20:50 Rep. O'Neil
01:20:58 Rep. Fiscus
01:20:04 Chairman Lavin

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 607

01:21:25 **Motion:** Rep. Randall moved that **HB 607 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:21:42 Rep. Fiscus

01:22:10 Chairman Lavin

01:22:17 Rep. Fiscus

01:22:22 Rep. Randall

01:22:45 Rep. Kerns

01:23:28 Chairman Lavin

01:23:40 Rep. O'Neil

01:24:04 Rep. Wilson

01:25:04 Rep. Fiscus

01:26:06 Chairman Lavin

01:26:42 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-3 by voice vote with Rep. Fiscus, Rep. Kerns and Rep. O'Neil voting no. Rep. Neill, Rep. Smith and Rep. Squires voted by proxy.

01:27:23 Chairman Lavin

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:27:29

Tia Hunter, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([trh62aad.pdf](#))